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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE
SECRETARY FROM VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTER ESCOVAR

1. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT
OF JULY 6 COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM FROM FOREIGN MINISTER
ESCOVAR TO THE SECRETARY READS QUOTE ON THE OCCASION OF
THE CELEBRATION OF THE BICENTENNIAL OF YOUR INDEPENDENCE,
I AM PLEASED TO EXPRESS MY VERY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS
AND TO EXTEND WISHES FOR YOUR WELL-BEING AND FOR THE PEACE,
AND TOTAL PROGRESS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES.
RAMON ESCOVAR SALOM. MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF
VENEZUELA. UNQUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM THE SECRETARY SHOULD BE
DELIVERED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER: QUOTE: I DEEPLY AP-
PRECIATED YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE
OCCASION OF OUR 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE. THE
SPIRIT OF FREEDOM WHICH FORGED OUR NATION AND SET ITS
HISTORICAL PATTERN CONTINUES TO GUIDE OUR COURSE TODAY.
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I HOPE THAT OUR TWO PEOPLES MAY LIKEWISE CONTINUE IN THE

CLOSE AND ABIDING FRIENDSHIP THAT HAS ALWAYS BOUND US
TOGETHER. HENRY A. KISSINGER. UNQUOTE.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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